Director of Agriculture.

112. ❋MR. K. T. THOMAS: Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the special qualifications, relating to agriculture, possessed by the present acting Director of Agriculture ;

(*b*) whether he has had any practical training in agriculture, if so, where and for how long ;

(*c*) what degree or diploma relating to agriculture and from which University, is possessed by the present Director ; and

(*d*) whether he has had any training in Animal Husbandry or Veterinary Science and from which University

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP : (*a*) and (*c*) The present Director of Agriculture has undergone a course of training in agriculture, at the University of New Jersey, U. S. A. and possesses the M. sc. Degree of that University.

(*b*) Yes. At new Jersey for a period of two years.

(*d*) No.

Conference attended by the present Director of Agriculture.

113. ❋MR. K. T. THOMAS : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing :

(*a*) the number of conferences, held outside the State, attended by the present acting Director in the year 1112 ;

(*b*) the total time spent by him outside the State during the past eleven months ; and

(*c*) the expenditure incurred by the Government to enable the Director to attend the conferences referred to in part (*a*) during the past eleven months ?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP : (*a*) Four.

(*b*) Forty days.

(*c*) Rs. 981-6-7.

Statement by caste of the Superintendents in the Secretariat.

114. ❋MR. V. K. VELAYUDHAN (*Ambalapuzha cum Shertala*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the Superintendents in the Secretariat.

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : Of the 9 permanent Superintendents in the Huzur Secretariat, 3 are Brahmins, 4 Nairs and 2 other Hindus.

MR. V. K. VELAYUDHAN : May I know from Government, to which community the two 'other hindus' belong ?

RAO BAHADUR RAYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : One is a Vellala and the other is a Kshatriya.

MR. V. K. VELAYUDHAN : May I know whether the Government are aware that Ezhavas have made representations for giving them adequate representation in the Secretariat ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI : Representations might have been received.

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MR. V. K. VELAYUDHAN: May I know whether Government propose giving adequate representation to Ezhavas in the Secretariat?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: Recruitment hereafter will be made on the advice of the Public Service Commissioner and Ezhavas will get a chance thereby.

MR. V. K. VELAYUDHAN: May I know whether the appointments made in the Secretariat, after the appointment of the Public Service Commissioner, were done on his recommendation?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: As I explained yesterday, a few hands who have had experience in Secretariat work have been ear-marked for filling up short vacancies and among them there are two Ezhavas.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN (*Quilon* cum *Kottarakara*): May I know why there is no Ezhava among the Superintendents?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: There is none in the Secretariat eligible for promotion as Superintendent.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: Was not a new person recruited as Superintendent from outside?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: No. Under the recent circular such transfers are prohibited.

MR. P. KUNJUKRISHNAN: Then, was that appointment before the circular?

MR. A. J. JOHN (*Vaikom* cum *Kottayam*): May I know from the member, was there any necessity for appointing men from outside?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: Some persons have been ear-marked for filling up short vacancies and appointments are made from among them when the necessity arises.

MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKAR: ഈ അടുത്തകാലത്ത് വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിൽ നിന്നും ഒരാളെ സെക്രട്ടറിയേറ്റിൽ സൂപ്പ ണ്ടായി നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: One man was appointed as Acting Superintendent in the C. V. R.

MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKAR: വിദ്യാഭ്യാസ ഡിപ്പാർട്ടുമെൻറിലിരുന്ന കാലത്ത് അദ്ദേഹത്തിന് എത്ര രൂപ ശമ്പളമുണ്ടായിരുന്നു?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: I do not know what his pay in the Education Department was.

MR. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKAR: എത്ര രൂപ ശമ്പളത്തിലാണ് ഇപ്പോൾ അദ്ദേഹത്തെ സെക്രട്ടേറിയറ്റിൽ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളത്?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI: As Acting Superintendent he gets an allowance of Rs. 75 per mensem.

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